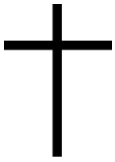

God-given Breath

Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 150:6

Pentateuch

And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. Genesis 2:7

And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die. Genesis 6:17

And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein is the breath of life. Genesis 7:15

All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died. Genesis 7:22

But of the cities of these people, which the LORD thy God doth give thee for an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth: Deuteronomy 20:16

History

So Joshua smote all the country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none remaining, but utterly destroyed all that breathed, as the LORD God of Israel commanded. Joshua 10:40

And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying them: there was not any left to breathe: and he burnt Hazor with fire. And all the spoil of these cities, and the cattle, the children of Israel took for a prey unto themselves; but every man they smote with the edge of the sword, until they had destroyed them, neither left they any to breathe. Joshua 11:11,14

And the channels of the sea appeared, the foundations of the world were discovered, at the rebuking of the LORD, at the blast of the breath of his nostrils. 2 Samuel 22:16

And it came to pass, when he reigned, that he smote all the house of Jeroboam; he left not to Jeroboam any that breathed, until he had destroyed him, according unto the saying of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Ahijah the Shilonite: 1 Kings 15:29

And it came to pass after these things, that the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him. 1 Kings 17:17

Poetry

By the blast of God they perish, and by the breath of his nostrils are they consumed. Job 4:9

He will not suffer me to take my breath, but filleth me with bitterness. Job 9:18

In whose hand is the soul of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind. Job 12:10

He shall not depart out of darkness; the flame shall dry up his branches, and by the breath of his mouth shall he go away. Job 15:30

My breath is corrupt, my days are extinct, the graves are ready for me. Job 17:1

My breath is strange to my wife, though I intreated for the children's sake of mine own body. Job 19:17

All the while my breath is in me, and the spirit of God is in my nostrils; Job 27:3

The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life. Job 33:4

If he set his heart upon man, if he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath; Job 34:14

By the breath of God frost is given: and the breadth of the waters is straitened. Job 37:10

His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth. Job 41:21

Then the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of the world were discovered at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils. Psalms 18:15

Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty. Psalms 27:12

By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth. Psalms 33:6

Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust. Psalms 104:29

They have ears, but they hear not; neither is there any breath in their mouths. Psalms 135:17

His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish. Psalms 146:4

Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD. Psalms 150:6

For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all is vanity. Ecclesiastes 3:19

Prophecy

Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of? Isaiah 2:22

But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. Isaiah 11:4

And his breath, as an overflowing stream, shall reach to the midst of the neck, to sift the nations with the sieve of vanity: and there shall be a bridle in the jaws of the people, causing them to err. For Tophet is ordained of old; yea, for the king it is prepared; he hath made it deep and large: the pile thereof is fire and much wood; the breath of the LORD, like a stream of brimstone, doth kindle it. Isaiah 30:28,33

Ye shall conceive chaff, ye shall bring forth stubble: your breath, as fire, shall devour you. Isaiah 33:11

Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein: Isaiah 42:5

Every man is brutish in his knowledge: every founder is confounded by the graven image: for his molten image is falsehood, and there is no breath in them. Jeremiah 10:14

Every man is brutish by his knowledge; every founder is confounded by the graven image: for his molten image is falsehood, and there is no breath in them. Jeremiah 51:17

Thou hast heard my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry. Lamentations 3:56

The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD, was taken in their pits, of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen. Lamentations 4:20

Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the LORD. Thus saith the Lord God unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them. Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live. So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army. Ezekiel 37:5-10

But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath is, and whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified: Daniel 5:23

For how can the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? for as for me, straightway there remained no strength in me, neither is there breath left in me. Daniel 10:17

Woe unto him that saith to the wood, Awake; to the dumb stone, Arise, it shall teach! Behold, it is laid over with gold and silver, and there is no breath at all in the midst of it. Habakkuk 2:19

New Testament

And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: John 20:22

And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, Acts 9:1

Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; Acts 17:25

Apocrypha

And gavest a body unto Adam without soul, which was the workmanship of thine hands, and didst breathe into him the breath of life, and he was made living before thee. 2 Esdras 3:5

But only I saw that he sent out of his mouth as it had been a blast of fire, and out of his lips a flaming breath, and out of his tongue he cast out sparks and tempests. And they were all mixed together; the blast of fire, the flaming breath, and the great tempest; and fell with violence upon the multitude which was prepared to fight, and burned them up every one, so that upon a sudden of an innumerable multitude nothing was to be perceived, but only dust and smell of smoke: when I saw this I was afraid. 2 Esdras 13:10-11

He made man, and put his heart in the midst of the body, and gave him breath, life, and understanding. 2 Esdras 16:61

For we are born at all adventure: and we shall be hereafter as though we had never been: for the breath in our nostrils is as smoke, and a little spark in the moving of our heart: Wisdom of Solomon 2:2

For she is the breath of the power of God, and a pure influence flowing from the glory of the Almighty: therefore can no defiled thing fall into her. Wisdom of Solomon 7:25

Or unknown wild beasts, full of rage, newly created, breathing out either a fiery vapour, or filthy scents of scattered smoke, or shooting horrible sparkles out of their eyes: Yea, and without these might they have fallen down with one blast, being persecuted of vengeance, and scattered abroad through the breath of thy power: but thou hast ordered all things in measure and number and weight. Wisdom of Solomon 11:18,20

The sight whereof enticeth fools to lust after it, and so they desire the form of a dead image, that hath no breath. Forasmuch as he knew not his Maker, and him that inspired into him an active soul, and breathed in a living spirit. For they counted all the idols of the heathen to be gods: which neither have the use of eyes to see, nor noses to draw breath, nor ears to hear, nor fingers of hands to handle; and as for their feet, they are slow to go. Wisdom of Solomon 15:5,11,15

As long as thou livest and hast breath in thee, give not thyself over to any. Ecclesiasticus 33:20

A man blowing a furnace is in works of heat, but the sun burneth the mountains three times more; breathing out fiery vapours, and sending forth bright beams, it dimmeth the eyes. Ecclesiasticus 43:4

The things wherein there is no breath are bought for a most high price. Letter of Jeremiah 1:25

I cannot tell how ye came into my womb: for I neither gave you breath nor life, neither was it I that formed the members of every one of you; But doubtless the Creator of the world, who formed the generation of man, and found out the beginning of all things, will also of his own mercy give you breath and life again, as ye now regard not your own selves for his laws' sake. 2 Maccabees 7:22-23

Howbeit he nothing at all ceased from his bragging, but still was filled with pride, breathing out fire in his rage against the Jews, and commanding to haste the journey: but it came to pass that he fell down from his chariot, carried violently; so that having a sore fall, all the members of his body were much pained. 2 Maccabees 9:7

Nevertheless, while there was yet breath within him, being inflamed with anger, he rose up; and though his blood gushed out like spouts of water, and his wounds were grievous, yet he ran through the midst of the throng; and standing upon a steep rock, 2 Maccabees 14:45

Enoch

I saw in my sleep what I will now say with a tongue of flesh and with the breath of my mouth: which the Great One has given to men to converse therewith and understand with the heart. Enoch 14:2

And I lifted up my hands in righteousness and blessed the Holy and Great One, and spake with the breath of my mouth, and with the tongue of flesh, which God has made for the children of the flesh of men, that they should speak therewith, and He gave them breath and a tongue and a mouth that they should speak therewith: Enoch 84:1

Who, since they came into being, longed not after earthly food, but regarded everything as a passing breath, and lived accordingly, and the Lord tried them much, and their spirits were found pure so that they should bless His name. Enoch 108:9

Jasher

And God formed man from the ground, and he blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul endowed with speech. Jasher 1:2

Arouse now and see how bitter is my trouble for thee my son, although I did not rear thee, nor fashion thee, nor give thee breath and soul, but it was God who formed thee and built thy bones and covered them with flesh, and breathed in thy nostrils the breath of life, and then he gave thee unto me. Jasher 43:28

And he daily went forth and came into the land of Goshen, where his brethren the children of Israel were, and Moses saw them daily in shortness of breath and hard labor. Jasher 70:34

Surely he created thee in thy mother's womb, and put into thee the breath of life, and reared thee and placed thee upon the royal throne of Egypt, and he will take thy breath and soul from thee, and return thee to the ground whence thou wast taken. Jasher 79:50

Lost Books of the Bible

For he is the searcher of the thoughts and counsels of the heart; whose breath is in us, and when he pleases he can take it from us. 1 Clement to the Corinthians 10:14

He smote them as a moth: and from morning even unto the evening they endure not. Because they were not able to help themselves, they perished; he breathed upon them and they died, because they had no wisdom. 1 Clement to the Corinthians 18:7

For this cause did the Lord suffer the ointment to be poured on his head; that he might breathe the breath of immortality unto his church. Epistle of Ignatius to the Ephesians 4:4

Forgotten Books of Eden

Then the angel went up to God, was welcome, and said, O God, Thy creatures have breathed their last. 1 Book of Adam and Eve 10:2

But God looked upon him and upon his misery, and upon his being about to breathe his last. And the Word of God came from heaven, raised him out of the water, and said unto him, Go up the high bank to Eve. And when he came up to Eve he said unto her, Who said to thee 'come hither'? 1 Book of Adam and Eve 33:12

On the fifth day I commanded the sea, that it should bring forth fishes, and feathered birds of many varieties, and all animals creeping over the earth, going forth over the earth on four legs, and soaring in the air, male sex and female, and every soul breathing the spirit of life. And there came evening, and there came morning the sixth day. On the sixth day I commanded my wisdom to create man from seven consistencies: one, his flesh from the earth; two, his blood from the dew; three, his eyes from the sun; four, his bones from stone; five, his intelligence from the swiftness of the angels and from cloud; six, his veins and his hair from the grass of the earth; seven, his soul from my breath and from the wind. Secrets of Enoch 30:8-10

And I wrote the resting-places of the winds and observed and saw how their key-holders bear weighing-scales and measures; first, they put them in one weighing-scale, then in the other the weights and let them out according to measure cunningly over the whole earth, lest by heavy breathing they make the earth to rock. Secrets of Enoch 40:8

The Lord has placed the foundations in the unknown, and has spread forth heavens visible and invisible; he fixed the earth on the waters, and created countless creatures, and who has counted the water and the foundation of the unfixed, or the dust of the earth, or the sand of the sea, or the drops of the rain, or the morning dew, or the wind's breathings? Who has filled earth and sea, and the indissoluble winter? Secrets of Enoch 47:5

Because every breathing thing glorifies him, and every creature visible and invisible returns him praise. Secrets of Enoch 51:6

And there shall neither be anything that breathes without knowledge, nor any that is dumb: For He hath given a mouth to His creation, to open the voice of the mouth towards Him, to praise Him: Confess ye His power, and show forth His grace. Hallelujah. Odes of Solomon 7:26-28

And they spake truth from the inspiration which the Most High breathed into them; Praise and great comeliness to His name Hallelujah. Odes of Solomon 18:19

All the four feet were made in the same style, and everything was wrought and fitted so skilfully, and such remarkable skill and knowledge were expended upon making it true to nature, that when the air was stirred by a breath of wind, movement was imparted to the leaves, and everything was fashioned to correspond with the actual reality which it represented. Letter of Aristeas 3:39

The sweat stood on his brow, and he drew his breath in hard gasps, till his nobility of soul extorted the admiration of his tormentors themselves. 4 Maccabees 3:7

And thus in grievous strait for breath and anguish of body he exclaimed, Glorious, O tyrant, glorious against thy will are the boons that thou bestowest on me, enabling me to show my fidelity to the Law through yet more honourable tortures. 4 Maccabees 5:51

Thy firstborn, giving up the ghost, did not alter thy resolution, nor thy second, looking with eyes of pity on thee under his tortures, nor thy third, breathing out his spirit. 4 Maccabees 7:13

The fourth is the sense of smell, with which tastes are given to draw air and breath. Testament of Reuben 1:17

For God made all things good in their order, the five senses in the head, and He joined on the neck to the head, adding to it the hair also for comeliness and glory, then the heart for understanding, the belly for excrement, and the stomach for grinding, the windpipe for taking in the breath, the liver for wrath, the gall for bitterness, the spleen for laughter, the reins for prudence, the muscles of the loins for power, the lungs for drawing in, the loins for strength, and so forth. Testament of Naphtali 1:20